UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE NORTHERN DIVISION

IN RE:

REGAL PETROLEUM COMPANY, INC.

No. 3:16-bk-33660-SHB

CHAPTER 11

Debtor.

EMERGENCY MOTION TO ALLOW PAYMENT OF PREPETITION DEBT OWED TO CRITICAL VENDORS

NOTICE OF EMERGENCY HEARING

Notice is hereby given that:

A hearing will be held on this matter on the <u>14th day of December, 2016 at</u> <u>10:00 a.m.</u>, in Courtroom 1-C, located at the Howard H. Baker, Jr. U.S. Courthouse, 800 Market Street, Knoxville, TN 37902.

If you do not want the court to grant the relief requested, you or your attorney must attend this hearing. If you do not attend the hearing, the court may decide that you do not oppose the relief sought in the application and may enter an order granting that relief.

Debtor Regal Petroleum Company, Inc. (the "Debtor"), by and through counsel, moves this Honorable Court pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §105(a) for authority to pay certain prepetition debts owing to vendors whose continued relationship with the Debtor is critical to the ability of the Debtor to continue operations. For cause, the Debtor represents the following:

1. The Debtor commenced this case by filing a petition under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code on December 12, 2016.

- 2. The Debtor is operating its business and managing its properties as debtor-in-possession.
- 3. The Debtor is an energy logistics company that purchases, gathers, transports and markets crude oil and natural gas liquids to large marketers and end users. It also transloads product from rail to truck for delivery to markets.
- 4. The Debtor's gross revenues annually are between \$30,000,000 and \$35,000,000. A substantial majority of these revenues are paid out as cost of goods sold.
- 5. The Debtor estimates it has \$2,500,000 annually with which to conduct its operations.
 - 6. The value of the Debtor's tangible assets is approximately \$1,337,000.
 - 7. The Debtor estimates it prepetition claims to be approximately \$1,563,230.
- 8. The Debtor estimates its going concern value to be approximately \$5,000,000.
- 9. In order to continue its business postpetition, the Debtor must maintain the ability to transport oil and natural gas. Transportation of oil and natural gas is the primary business of the Debtor.
- 10. The Debtor leases many of its trucks and trailers. The maintenance of its ability to transport the oil and natural gas is clearly crucial to the business. Without the ability to transport oil and natural gas, the Debtor will be required to cease operations.
- 11. It is expected that the lessors of the trucks and trailers will take the trucks and trailers from the Debtor and refuse to continue to allow the lease of the trucks and trailers by the Debtor if prepetition debt is not paid.

- 12. If the Debtor's ability to transport is ended as a result of not having trucks and trailers available, the Debtor will be unable to reorganize.
- 13. The Debtor cannot have interruptions in its business, as its suppliers and purchasers will move to other companies. The continued timely flow of crude oil and natural gas is critical.
- 14. In order to maintain its current leases, the Debtor seeks to pay the following vendors:
 - a. Worldwide Equipment, \$100,000, to be paid in 5 monthly installments of \$20,000.
 - b. Webb Trailer, \$6,000, to be paid in 2 monthly installments of \$3,000.
 - c. Fleet Pride, \$4,000, to be paid in 2 monthly installments of \$2,000.
- 15. The Debtor will make no payments until such time as the vendor agrees in writing to these terms.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 12th day of December, 2016.

/s/Keith L. Edmiston

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned certifies that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Motion has been served on the attorney for the U.S. Trustee, the Assistant U.S. Attorney for the Eastern District of Tennessee, the Internal Revenue Service, all parties requesting notice, all secured creditors, and all other creditors, all as identified below and in the manner indicated below, electronically via ECF or by first-class mail, properly addressed and proper postage prepaid, and by facsimile/e-mail, on this the 12th day of December, 2016:

/s/Keith L. Edmiston

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